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Good afternoon. My name is Eric Brown and I am associate counsel with the Connecticut Business and Industry Association (CBIA). CBIA represents thousands of businesses of all sizes throughout Connecticut that provide hundreds of thousands of Connecticut citizens with good jobs and good benefits.

Thank you for this opportunity to voice our support for **Raised Bill No. 925: AN ACT CONCERNING BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

CBIA is pleased to voice our support of this committee's efforts to create a new governance structure for Bradley International Airport. This will allow the airport to better compete effectively in the highly competitive international airline industry, both with respect to passenger and freight business.

We are also pleased that Governor Malloy has expressed a strong interest in this issue and is considering a new authority for the airport. We look forward to working with your committee, the legislature and the Governor's office to bring Bradley International Airport to a new level of success that will benefit the economy and the people of our entire state.

Thank you again for this opportunity.